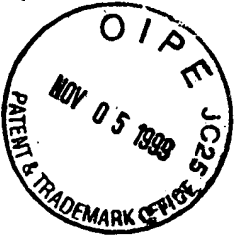


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CHANGE OF STATUS NOTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.28(c)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

A change in status has occurred in the subject application in that a license has been granted by the assignee to a corporation not entitled to small entity status. The undersigned has been advised that while the license was fully executed on March 10, 1999, it was not received by the applicants until after the petition to revive was mailed on March 16, 1999. Therefore, it is believed that small entity status was no longer appropriate at the time the petition to revive was mailed. This error occurred in good faith and became known only when the enclosed Renewed Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b) was being prepared. The additional fee of \$800.00 is authorized to be

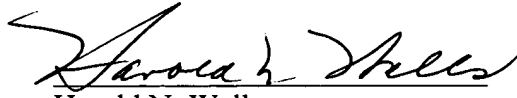
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Should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an overpayment be included herein, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from Battelle Deposit Account No. 02-1275 (Payor No. 005055).

Please forward any reply to this communication directly to our Houston office for docketing purposes. The mailing address is P.O. Box 4433, Houston, Texas 77210-4433; the physical address for courier packages is 750 Bering Drive, Houston, Texas, 77057, and the Houston facsimile number is 713.787.1440.

Respectfully submitted,

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